

## EL PASO CHURCHES MAY FORM FEDERATION TO ADVANCE CAUSE

Plans Under Way for Federated Body Similar to Organizations Which Have Proved Wonderfully Successful in the Eastern Cities; Organization Is to Be Effected February 22.

THE CHURCH FEDERATION OF EL PASO is the proposed name for a definite movement on the part of the churches of this city to get together. San Francisco, Chicago, Cleveland, Indianapolis, Los Angeles and other large cities have tried the plan out and have found that it works. El Paso will set the pace in the southwest. It is a part of the spirit of the times. A committee has been at work studying the federation in other cities and has called a meeting of an interchurch council to be held on the evening of Washington's birthday anniversary. At this meeting the committee will report with its suggestions. These suggestions are based on actual results achieved in cities like Chicago and Cleveland.

The plan is something like this: To have five departments—department of religious education, community evangelism, public welfare, church publicity and women's work. The department of religious education, with a local expert at the head, is to raise the general standard of religious education; to conduct a training school for teachers; to take an annual census to find out what children are in no Sunday school. The department of community evangelism in Cleveland resulted in over 1000 new church members last year. The idea is to develop the efficiency of local churches in doing their own evangelistic work, without the necessity of calling in outside workers. Without any evangelist at all, Cleveland has added more members in proportion to population than any other city.

The department of public welfare is to develop organized co-operation between the churches and Associated Charities and other agencies. Also, to make a safe and thorough study of public play and encourage the development of municipal play centers. This department will also represent the churches in any campaign for "clean up" or law enforcement; and will represent the churches in relations with the city administration. The department of publicity is to promote the general religious interest in El Paso. The plan is to publish a federation bulletin giving interesting items about El Paso churches and about federation work.

### HIGHWAY COMMISSION ABOLISHES SECRETARY

Austin, Texas, Jan. 26.—At the first meeting of the new state highway commission, one of its first official acts was to abolish the position of secretary, saving the state the sum of \$3000 annually. The old commission had also dispensed with the services of a secretary and the new commission ratified this action. This action followed a lengthy conference held with Gov. Hobbs, who told the members of the new commission to administer the affairs of this department as economically as possible, especially during the period of the war. The duties of secretary will devolve upon Charles A. Duran, the chief engineer of the commission.

## Wouldn't It Bump You?

AFTER YOU HAVE SEEN YOUR HATED RIVAL THROWN OUT BY THE FATHER OF THE YOUNG LADY YOU ADMIRE,—



—AND YOU BUY A SEVEN DOLLAR BOUQUET AND HURRY TOWARDS THE YOUNG LADY'S HOME.—



OUR ANTEDILUVIAN ANCESTORS!



### Sentence Sermons by El Paso Ministers

MERICA'S drink bill is about three billion a year—more than the first liberty loan—and the largest part of this enormous sum comes from the pockets of the working men! What a tremendous increase there would be in the health and happiness of our entire country if only our working men could be persuaded to let drink alone.—Rev. Charles L. Overstreet, of the First Presbyterian church.

The gospel makes men free; but many say "we were never in bondage." Religion sets everyone free to make men free of everything that fetters body, soul or mind.—Rev. O. J. Wade, of Calvary-Houston Square Baptist church.

The demijohn and the demi-monde are pals. Crash the one and you crush the other. Permit the one and you protect the other.—Rev. C. K. Campbell, of Asbury church.

On the same basis that Jesus drove the traitors from the temple, every Christian man should not only vote against the saloons but use every power at his command to drive them from our midst.—Rev. Perry J. Rice, of the First Christian church.

"God give us men, a time like this demands, strong minds, true faith and ready hands, men whom the lust of office does not kill, men who the spoils of office cannot buy, men who have honor and will not lie, tall men, uncrowned men, who live above the fog, in public duty and private thinking."—Rev. I. N. Langston, of Highland Park Baptist church.

The influence of sin affects the whole moral constitution, paralyzing the intellect, the sensibilities and the will.—Rev. H. P. Bond, of Highland Park Methodist church.

The greatest races have been those which have successfully overcome obstacles of severe climate and barren soil. The greatest people have been those who by sheer force of character turned sorrow and disaster into joy and success. Beethoven composed his "Ode to Joy" during his deepest anguish. "Passing through the valley of Baca, they make it a place of springs."—Rev. Dwight J. Bradley, of the First Congregational church.

Follow the instruction given in the word of God, if you would succeed in this life. "Whoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might"; that is industry. "He who is faithful in a very little, is faithful also in much." Be faithful in little things. "Whatsoever ye do, work heartily, as unto the Lord, and not unto men." Put your heart into your work, be good natured. "Gather up the broken pieces which remain over, that nothing be lost." Don't be wasteful. "Wiltful waste makes woeful want." The man who is industrious and faithful in little things, who is good natured, and is not wasteful, will be a success in this life. "Godliness is profitable for all things, having promise of the life which now is, and of that which is to come."—Rev. C. H. Mitchellmore, of Alta Presbyterian church.

Spiritual ideals are emerging and spiritual values are in the ascendency in the present great world conflict. Happy are we if these ideals and values can be conserved by great council which some day shall determine the terms of peace.—Rev. Rufus C. Baker, of the Orchard Park M. E. church.

The city that sells the privilege to run saloons; not only gets the money for the license; but also the crime, loss of manhood, and immorality that alcohol always produces. The man who votes for the saloon is responsible for the product of the saloon.—Rev. Watson M. Fairley, of Westminster Presbyterian church.

All true Christians have, as such, been imbued with the spirit of sacrifice, and now is the time to manifest it.—Rev. Asher A. Davis, of East El Paso Presbyterian church.

Christian citizenship is going to be put to a thorough test next Wednesday. Surely every Christian now is decided as to his duty toward the local question. And being decided as to his duty he will not hesitate to do it in consideration of the best interests of man and in the fear of God. All over our land it is only a question of time as to when the saloon is to be put out of land it is only a question of time as to when the saloon is to be put out of our commission. On January 30 let us say when it is to be banished from our commission. Vote dry next Wednesday.—Rev. J. F. Williams, of the First Baptist church.

### Rabbi Discourages Jews Who Court Race Merger

New York, Jan. 26.—What is regarded here as a check on the growing tendency of Jews to merge with other races has been announced by Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, of the Church of the Messiah.

"For the Jew to merge himself away with the peoples of the world," declared the rabbi, "is a thing impossible. The greatest wrong that Jewish people could inflict upon the world today would be to surrender and efface themselves. The Jew reaches his highest and best who is most a Jew."

The rabbi said that now, when it seemed peace was breaking, the Jews should give up the dream of a world melting pot. With the end of the Jewish war, he declared, Christians must lose all prejudice against the Jews.

In the British munition factories it has been proven that five women are doing the work which it formerly took six men to do.

By F. Oppet

—AND YOU DOLL UP AND RESOLVE TO GO AND PROPOSE TO THE YOUNG LADY, YOURSELF, THAT VERY DAY,—



—IF BEFORE YOU GET THERE, YOU MEET THE YOUNG LADY AND YOUR HATED RIVAL AND THEY INVITE YOU TO THEIR WEDDING! DOESN'T IT FLABBERGAST YOU?



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### A Narrative of Everyday Affairs.

#### Their Married Life

Helen Starts Out Alone and Finds a Lot of Trouble in Learning Just Where to Go.

I AM disappointed," Helen said, trying to speak bravely. "I had looked forward to going all day."

"Of course, and so had I," Warren returned; "but I'm sure you can be sensible about it, and if it means the pulling through of this deal, money will be a little more plentiful."

"Of course, dear," she said hastily. "I suppose you'll stay at home and read," Warren vouchsafed, as Helen followed him into the bedroom and began to lay out his full dress suit and to fix his studs and links in a fresh shirt.

"Oh, I don't know! I shall probably go out to the movies, or do something. I don't feel a bit like staying in tonight. You see I had planned to go out, and I haven't been out today. Mary and I gave the place a general cleaning."

"I'll warrant you," Warren asserted. "You have a good, strong maid, and yet you do half the work yourself."

"I like to superintend things," Warren explained. "Every woman does who cares at all about her house and the way it is run."

"And if you had to do it, you'd make a pretty good fuss and complain that you were half dead."

"Just the same, I wish you would stay at home and not go gallivanting around the streets, and when you go around to the corner and see the movie show there."

"I've seen the film playing there, and besides, Warren, how foolish you are—just as if I didn't have sense enough to take care of myself!"

"That's not the point of course you have sense enough; but as I have told you hundreds of times, you're not the independent woman. What Frances Knowles would do, and could do perfectly well in an emergency, you wouldn't think of doing."

"What makes you think that?" "Because it's perfectly true. If anyone spoke to you, you'd be in a perfect panic in a moment. Don't you suppose people feel these things instinctively? Where Frances would know just what to do, you would be terror stricken."

"Oh, but Warren," protested Helen, "you don't give me credit for any sense at all! Besides, men don't speak to women in the street if the women go about their business."

"Oh, don't they? Well, you haven't forgotten the unpleasant experience you had that time you were downtown shopping and dropped into a movie show for a while, have you? Weren't you minding your own business then?"

Has Another Plan. "Of course! but I wasn't thinking of going to a movie show tonight. I thought I'd go over to Brooklyn and see Evelyn. I haven't seen her in ages."

"Why, you don't even know where she lives! Warren snorted, dropping his collar button and getting down on his hands and knees in the prescribed manner, which did not aid to his good humor. Helen found the stray button and handed it to him.

With a smile, and he proceeded to slip it safely in place this time.

"I could find it. There are always plenty of people to help you."

"Well, if that isn't the limit! I wish you'd live up to the doctrine of life as practiced by that friend of yours who reads so much—what's her name?"

"Mrs. Candors?" "Yes, I'd rather have you practice life from her standpoint than from the standpoint of these Bohemian friends of yours who run into all kinds of dangers, boasting that they can take care of themselves, and then are willing enough to be protected by a man when he happens to present himself or she happens to need him. Look at Frances, for instance."

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## 42 WELLS GIVE EL PASO DAILY 10,000,000 GALLONS OF WATER

City Owns Its Own Water Works, and Plant Is One of the Best in Entire West; New Wells Constantly Added as Demand Requires; Purity of Water Safeguards Health of the People.

THAT the waterworks system of El Paso is one of the most efficient in the west is believed by students of waterworks' problems to be due to the fact that the local system, owned as it is by the people, is run for their benefit instead of in the interest of a private corporation. In addition to this, two features of particular importance in any water supply are at once apparent: purity of the water and an almost inexhaustible supply.

42 Wells, 10,000,000 Gallons. Forty-two wells tap a subterranean stream at a depth of about 600 feet, or 220 feet above sea level, there being a flow of something over 10,000,000 gallons daily, the city at present using about 6,000,000 gallons.

There has been practically no diminishing of this supply, notwithstanding the demands made on it by 250,000 people. The lifting plant is located on the Fort Bliss mesa, the only filling station for the city. The water comes up through the pure white sand from the depths below.

Not many years ago El Pasoans were drinking distilled water or water brought in from elsewhere, but the rapid development of the city forced the city administration to establish the plant mentioned on the mesa about three miles north by east of the Fort Bliss reservation. The company is constantly repairing the old wells and adding new ones as the demand for water increases with the increase in the population of the city. Four new wells have been put in operation during the fiscal year just ended, and new pumping units are being installed as fast as required.

Power for the compressors that forcing the water into the tanks is furnished by oil-burning steam engines and two new Fulton-Diesel combination oil engines of the Diesel type. Water at the rate of 200 to 500 gallons a minute from each well flows out on the surface by the turning of a valve on the part of the operator, whence it goes by gravity to the reservoirs and mains.

Remarkable Purity. Travelers used to make the remarkable remark on the fact that in El Paso no artificial filters or settling tanks are required to make the water drinkable. No better proof of the remarkable purity of the local supply could be found than the complete absence of sickness caused by drinking water.

Last year the waterworks department saved the city an average of 1512 cents per 1000 gallons, the cost of being: Pumping, 5542 cents; distribution, 141 cents; general expenses, 8111 cents; interest and taxes, 6118 cents. A net balance in favor of the city was left of 564 cents per 1000 gallons.

New Mains Cost \$258,000. Chief among the additions to the system is the new 24-inch main from the mesa pumping station to McKinley avenue, recently completed at a cost of \$258,000. This connects with the two old mains, one of which is 16 and the other 18 inches in diameter, both of them following the line of the El Paso & Southwestern railway right of way.

The 16-inch line runs to Stevens avenue, thence to Montana, at which point it is divided into two 12-inch mains. One of these leads over to Rio Grande street and on to the Sunset reservoir, the other extending down Austin street into the city below the railroad line, laterals with a 16-inch line in place this time.

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liked the movies, she felt restless and wanted to do something different. "We all feel that way at times."

"I don't go to the movies," Helen said. "I go to the movies, I'm going over to see Evelyn. Now don't worry about me, Warren. I'll be home to try to run my house with an old married woman like me."

But Warren, his anxiety swallowed up by his irritation, was so moved to argue. Having finished his dressing, he picked up his hat, not into his overcoat and left his home without saying goodbye.

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### UNITED MINE WORKERS EXPEL I. W. W. MEMBERS

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 25.—The United Mine Workers of America, declaring their patriotism and devotion to the United States, are on record today as being utterly opposed to the I. W. W. Yesterday the organization in convention here voted to expel from the union any I. W. W. members.

The mine workers asked no special privileges in the operation of the selective draft and referred with pride to a service flag having 12,356 stars, representing union members who are in military service.

### TO INSTAL SERVICE FLAG IN CANUTILLO CHURCH

Canutillo, Texas, Jan. 25.—There will be services at St. Luke's Episcopal chapel on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, with Rev. F. Sargent, from El Paso, officiating. In addition to the morning service, a flag bearing the stars of the service men of the boys who are in the service will be installed in the chapel with fitting ceremony. This service was to have been held last Sunday, but owing to inclement weather, it was postponed.

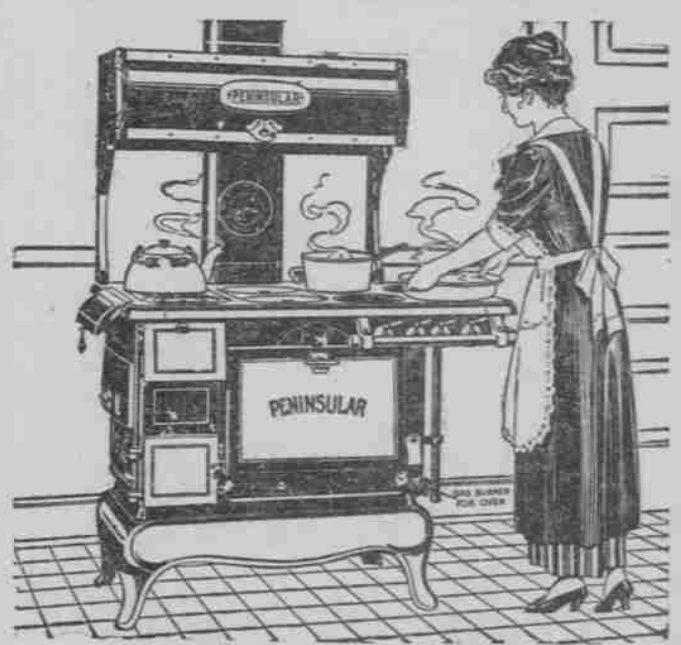
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### BIBLE PICTURE QUERY—41

Who in the Bible Issued a Decree That All the World Should Be Taxed?



### Curious and Unusual Bible Questions

Look at the picture above, then turn to your Bible and find the answer to the question. The picture illustrates the verse in which the answer will be found.

Each week we will publish an illustrated question from the Bible and the following week publish the answer. See if you can find the answer before we publish it! Make a family pastime of this interesting feature—it will amuse and instruct you.

### Last Week's Question and the Answer

Last week's query: "What reward does the Bible promise a man diligent in business?" This is answered in Proverbs, Chapter 22, Verse 29:

"Seest thou a man diligent in his business? he shall stand before kings: he shall not stand before men."

## Union Prohibition MASS MEETING

East El Paso Baptist Church

### Sunday Night

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